

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2296 - SB 2277

January 23, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a voluntary “yellow dot” motor vehicle medical information program to assist senior drivers and passengers and emergency medical responders in reporting critical medical information in the event of a motor vehicle accident or other medical emergency involving a participant’s vehicle. Requires the Department of Transportation to provide participants with a “yellow dot” decal to alert emergency medical responders to a “yellow dot” folder in the glove compartment containing the participant’s name, photograph, emergency contact information, medical information, hospital preference, and physicians’ contact information. Prohibits the Department from charging a participation fee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$33,300/FY12-13/Highway Fund
\$16,300/FY13-14/Highway Fund
\$9,900/FY14-15 and Subsequent Years/Highway Fund**

Assumptions:

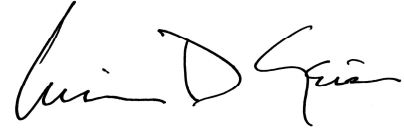
- The Department will develop and accept “yellow dot” program applications, coordinate the program with local law enforcement agencies and other emergency responders, provide education, training and reasonable measures to publicize the program.
- Development, management and operation of the program can be accomplished within existing resources of the Department without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Safety, Office of Research, Statistics, and Analysis, there were 761,984 licensed drivers in Tennessee, age 65 or older, in 2010.
- It is estimated that 25,000 senior drivers will participate in FY12-13, an additional 15,000 will participate in FY13-14, and an additional 10,000 will participate in FY14-15 and subsequent years.
- Based on the information provided by the Alabama Traffic Safety Office regarding the “yellow dot” program implemented in that state, it is estimated that the Department’s expenditures will increase by \$33,317 in FY12-13 for promotional and material costs (\$18,317), education and training (\$10,000), and miscellaneous expenses (\$5,000).
- State expenditures in FY13-14 will increase by \$16,294 for promotional and material costs (\$9,294), education and training (\$5,000), and miscellaneous expenses (\$2,000),

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and by \$9,856 in FY14-15 and subsequent years for promotional and material costs (\$6,356), education and training (\$2,500), and miscellaneous expenses (\$1,000).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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